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\$7,000 Settlement Reached with Safety First Mobile Trucking Repair, Inc.

Los Angeles --- The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced it has reached a \$7,000 settlement with Safety First Mobile Trucking Repair, Inc. (SFMTRI) for hazardous waste violations at its facility located at 702 East Ross Avenue in El Centro, Imperial County.

Under terms of the Enforcement Order (Order), signed on October 15, 2004, SFMTRI will pay a total of \$7,000, of which \$2,000 is for penalties and reimbursement of costs incurred by DTSC and \$5,000 is for a Supplemental Environmental Project.

The settlement stems from violations observed by DTSC inspectors during an inspection at the facility on June 24, 2004. The violations were:

- Disposing of used oil to the ground
- Storing hazardous waste in excess of 90 days without permit or authorization from DTSC
- Failing to keep lids on containers holding used oil

SFMTRI's agreed to pay \$5,000 under a Supplemental Environmental Project to pay for the enrollment of three of its employees, in a school approved by DTSC, for training on federal and hazardous waste laws and regulations. The training must be scheduled within 30 days of the effective date of the Order and the employees must complete the training within 60 days of the effective date of the Order. SFMTRI must send DTSC documentation of successful completion within 30 days of the end of the training.

SFMTRI has corrected the violation found during the inspection.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.